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## DESCRIPTION

PRODUCTION METHOD OF IMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES

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The present invention relates to a production method of

a naphthalene derivative showing a pharmaceutical effect such as a steroid  $C_{17,20}$  lyase inhibitory action and the like, and an intermediate therefor.

## Background Art

As a synthetic method of a compound wherein an aromatic compound is substituted by an alkanoyl group, for example, the following reactions are known.

(1) JP-A-7-285945 discloses a reaction shown by

- wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are each a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group and the like, and  $R_3$  is a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an aryl group and the like,
  - (2) Tetrahedron 49(7), 1431 (1993) discloses a reaction shown by

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and

(3) J. Org. Chem. 59(17), 4844 (1994) discloses a reaction shown by